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## TELEGRAPH STRIKE.

### MAINLY FIGHT WITH THE GREAT MONOPOLY.

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## THE RIFLE TEAM.

### THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEST AT WIMBLEDON.

John Bull Lowers His Flag to Young America—Details of the Day's Shooting.

Wimbledon, July 20.—The Americans at two hundred yards range scored 352; British 340.

9 a. m.—Everything is in readiness for the great rifle contest between the American and British teams. The contestants will be as follows:

British team—Private McVittie, Corporal Bates, Corporal Perry, Sergeant Dods, Major Young, Major Pearce, Quarter-Master Goldsmith, Private Gibbs, Captain Gadsdale, Private Lowe, Major Humphrey, Private Watteforth.

American team—Lieutenant Walter Scott, Sergeant T. J. Dolan, Sergeant W. L. Cash, Sergeant W. L. Paulding, Sergeant A. B. Van Houser, Private J. W. Brown, Private C. W. Hinman, Private M. W. Bull, Private Jno. Smith, Private S. I. Scott. The shooting will be done in rounds, each contestant firing seven shots at each range.

10:30 a. m.—The impression prevails that the Englishmen will win on account of the superior rifles which they use. Weather fair, but strong breeze blowing across the range with a chopping tendency.

10:30 a. m.—The American team has just arrived on the ground; all well.

12:12 p. m.—The match has just commenced. Smith of the American team fired first. Raining slightly.

12:20 p. m.—Light good for shooting; the wind has dropped.

12:30 p. m.—It is now raining smartly and the wind rising; light remains good. The following is the score at 200 yards:

American team—Smith, 29; W. Scott, 29; Joiner, 29; Brown, 30; S. Scott, 29; Dolan, 31; Pollard, 30; Cash, 28; Hinman, 29; Bull, 28; Paulding, 31; Van Houser, 29. Total at 200 yards, 352.

British team—Young, 30; Pearce, 27; Goldsmith, 31; Gibbs, 29; McVittie, 29; Bates, 29; Gadsdale, 27; Lowe, 29; Parry, 28; Dods, 28; Humphrey, 29; Watteforth, 31. Total at 200 yards, 340.

The middle squad of Americans shot with Remington rifles, the others used Brown rifles. The Americans say their fire was slow. Many of the British volunteers noticed that a number of the Americans shot with their thumbs under the trigger guard. Firing will be resumed at 2:30 o'clock.

The two teams finished firing at 200 yards within a few seconds of each other. Although the Americans were ahead they expressed the opinion that they ought to have done better. The English account for their inferior score by saying that they are not accustomed to fire at 200 yards standing.

2:30 p. m.—Rain continues still, but the light is very good. There was a very large attendance of people on the ground this morning, but the crowd is not increasing.

Total score at 500 yards, American 366; British 357.

3 p. m.—When shooting was resumed it was raining heavily. The following was the score at 500 yards:

American team—Smith, 34; W. Scott, 27; Joiner, 34; Brown, 28; S. Scott, 29; Dolan, 30; Pollard, 31; Cash, 26; Hinman, 35; Bull, 30; Paulding, 30; Van Houser, 32. Total at 500 yards, 366.

British team—Young, 31; Pearce, 33; Goldsmith, 31; Gibbs, 33; McVittie, 31; Bates, 33; Gadsdale, 33; Lowe, 33; Parry, 33; Dods, 33; Humphrey, 33; Watteforth, 32. Total 357.

In firing at 500 yards, Low of the British team and Hinman of the American made 35, the highest possible score. Dods of the English riflemen, in his second shot at this range, made 34 on the wrong target and was credited with a miss, the first in the match.

Total scores at 600 yards' range were: Americans, 360; British, 360, making a grand total of 1,078 for the Americans and 1,070 for the British. The former are thus eight points ahead on the day's shooting at the three ranges.

McVittie started badly at 600 yards; he made muzzles in his first two shots. The rain ceased falling soon after firing at this range. Dolan, at his fifth shot, made a bulls-eye on the wrong target; he was thus credited with a miss. Van Houser's last shot at 600 yards was a miss. The Americans are holding their own.

COMMENTS AT LONDON.

London, July 20.—The Standard says if the Americans win they will at least learn that the British can take the thrashing and ungrudgingly bestow upon the conquerors the applause which they have justly earned.

Sir Henry Hallford won the loss for choice of target before the shooting began in order to prevent any chance of disagreement between the teams. Compared with the scores made in the match at Creedmoor last year, the American total to-day is thirty-five better and the English total only eight better. The general average of the Americans in to-day's shooting is better than that of the Englishmen. The match will be resumed at ten o'clock to-morrow.

The Trunk Line Pool.

New York, July 19.—The joint executive committee of the freight department of the trunk lines met to-day at the office of Commissioner Fink. It was decided to admit the Chicago & Atlantic, the New York Chicago & Atlantic, and the Nickel Plate Railroad Companies into the pool.

An Assignment.

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 20.—The Manchester Iron and Steel Company, capital stock \$500,000, made an assignment to-day to W. W. Martin of Allegheny City and Henry Stanton of New York.

## WICHITA FALLS.

### Small Cattle Shipments and Dull Business—Personal.

Special to the Gazette.

Wichita Falls, July 20.—Cattle shipments from this place have been very light for the past week. Only a few car loads have been shipped, mostly on account of the high waters of the Big Wichita. The business interests of the town seem rather quiet at present.

Geo. B. Loving came up on the passenger yesterday, and left on the morning freight for Henrietta.

Geo. Bowles and G. S. Ellis came up yesterday on a business trip to your town.

Thatch Brannon of Henrietta, who is largely interested in sheep in Wilbarger county, passed through on his way home from his ranch.

W. J. Murphy came up yesterday from the Fort.

The following names are registered at the Hovis House: L. O. Martin, Sherman; Thos. Hall, Camden; W. R. Nicholson, Shreveport; Chas. Clerd and lady, Abilene; J. A. Crueger, Vernon; A. D. Goodenough, St. Louis; W. W. Elliott, Denison; W. J. McDonald, county; G. H. Plowman, Dallas; B. B. Hunt, Caldwell; J. A. Bell and wife, Corsicana; J. W. Suera and wife, Gainesville; E. W. Foster, Vernon; W. R. Sticholson, Shreveport; T. A. Stinson, Dan Garner, R. R. Willett, General G. B. Loving, T. H. Lindsey, Nat. Neely, L. F. Litten, Fort Worth; C. W. Trader, city.

AUSTIN.

The Telegraphers Still on Duty—Brevities from the Departments.

Special to the Gazette.

Austin, July 20.—The telegraphers' strike has not affected business here, and the work goes on as usual. There is not as full a force on duty as formerly, as several of the operators went to Galveston to assist there.

The land board met to-day and discussed the duties and work before them, but did nothing of special importance.

The sewer board met this morning and accepted the state sewer from Wm. Brush, the contractor.

Collector Andrews of Grayson county, settled with the comptroller to-day.

Austin, July 19.—The governor has received a letter from the United States consul at Piedras Negras, Mex., giving information as to the murder of a Texan named W. H. Bettis, at the construction camp of the Mexican International railroad on the Sabana river. He says Bettis was sleeping on the top of a freight car when he was murdered and robbed. He does not believe the murder was committed by Mexicans, but by Bettis' campmates. The information is furnished with the view of letting his relatives know of his fate and to aid in the capture of the murderers.

A pardon was to-day issued to O. C. Hellerbrandt, convicted of cattle stealing in Frio county and sentenced for two years. The reasons for the pardon were that the evidence was conflicting, and the jury, district attorney and others recommended it.

A man named Herman Schoenert committed suicide here to-day by taking an overdose of morphine. He had been on a protracted spree.

Applications for two hundred pensions have been filed to date under the new pension law.

PALESTINE.

The International Strike Ended—All the Men Returned to Work.

Special to the Gazette.

Palestine July 20.—The strike in the international shops which has been going on the last four days has turned out an entire failure. Last night a meeting of the strikers resolved to throw overboard their leaders and return to work immediately. This morning all the old hands were back in the shops at work. The strike was started by professional agitators who interested of any kind in Palestine, but they were able to keep the excitement up only three days. Their course was universally condemned by the business community here. All the trouble-some characters have left, so it has been a benefit to Palestine in some respects.

HOUSTON.

The Merchants and the Hide Inspector—A Section Boss Found Dead.

Special to the Gazette.

Houston, July 20.—The cotton exchange held its meeting to-day and formally passed resolutions condemning the hide and animal inspector law as construed by the hide inspector of Harris county, viz., that hides from animals slaughtered anywhere in the state must be inspected at this point whether in transit or purchased, provided a certificate of inspection does not accompany them. It is a fight between the merchants and the stockmen, and which will win is hard to tell. Although stockmen are greatly inferior in numbers, yet they represent about two million dollars in live stock. They are backing the hide inspector to a man.

Mike Peters, a section boss, was found dead in the back room of a saloon this morning. He had been drinking lively. He said last night he had eaten nothing in five days, but had money in his pocket.

BRENNHAM.

Judge McAdoo's Successor—Election of a County Judge.

Special to the Gazette.

Brenham, July 20.—Our commissioners' court, composed of two white men and two negroes, met Wednesday to elect a county judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge McAdoo. A dead lock ensued, the negroes rejecting the candidate offered by the white members and vice versa. To-day the dead lock was broken by the unanimous election of C. R. Breedlove, a prominent and respected member of the bar.

## FIRE AT DENISON.

### A BLOOM OF WOODEN BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

List of Losses and Insurance—The Incendiary Seen in the Act—Incidents of the Fire.

Special to the Gazette.

Denison, July 20.—The loud and continuous whistling of many locomotives, the reports of fire arms and ringing of fire bells awoke the whole city at 2:30 this morning to the fact that one of our principal blocks was on fire, the south side of Main street, between Rusk and Burnett avenues, and when the flames went down only four buildings were left standing. The property consisted of a row of small frames, occupied by business of small capital generally. Fifteen thousand dollars will be a high estimate of the actual damage done, excepting of course the interruption of business transactions. The fire, the cause of which is unknown, originated in a frame next to the city hall, and swept west, cleaning everything as it went, until stopped by the two story brick of Dr. Field, and damaging the following parties: Rosbough, Moore & Co., one-story frame worth \$800, insured for \$400 insured in the Springfield of Massachusetts, occupied by Campbell, millinery stock worth \$500, insured for \$500 in same company, both with Collins & Co.; one-story frame owned by John Haven, worth \$1,000, insurance \$500 in Sun Mutual, occupied by John Dollarhide, second-hand goods, stock worth \$600, insured for \$400 in Western California; Singer Sewing Machine company, building worth \$800, owned by Isaac Linley, insured for \$500 in Sun Mutual, stock worth \$200, no insurance; the frame building owned and occupied by John Haven, groceries, worth \$1,000, insured for \$500 in Sun Mutual, stock worth \$2,000, insured for \$1,500 in same company; fixtures insured for \$140; a small building owned by Ferris, worth \$300, no insurance, occupied by W. L. Bingham, groceries, stock worth \$800, insured for \$500 in Western California; a stable owned by Ferris, worth \$300, no insurance; a vacant frame house, owned by Ferris, worth \$500, no insurance; house occupied by E. D. Killian, saddlery, stock \$700, insured for \$300 in Western California; a two-story brick, owned by Mrs. Gilman, late of Dallas, damaged \$1,000, insured for \$2,000 in London, Liverpool and Globe, Imperial, Hamburg, Bremen and London Assurance; a two-story brick, owned by Dr. Field, damaged \$1,800, insured \$1,500, occupied by the telephone company and J. M. Hill, tailor—loss slight and insured. Five telephone poles, one instrument and thirty wires were ruined and no telephonic communication to-day.

Work will be at once begun to rebuild and the burned district in a few months will be covered with substantial stone and brick houses. John Haven begins immediately the erection of a two-story stone building and others will soon follow.

The region is in the fire district and just through from the truck house. The fire companies were soon at work and labored earnestly and long, but without avail, as we have no water-service and no engine. This should be a lesson to the city dads, but we do not believe it will be. We were promised a water supply of the Holly system, but a law-suit over the land on which the well and works were to be located, has delayed that indefinitely.

Very little of the goods were saved from the stores. The telephone company saved its switch-board and is now in a brick stable. They lost fifteen hundred dollars.

A cobbler lost his all, which was small, a peanut stand was roasted out. Gus Cline, a butcher on the other side of the street, sold roast beef all day. All glass-fronts on the north side of the street were destroyed.

LATER—Mrs. O'Toole, of the Nelson house was awakened this morning by a noise in her yard. Thinking a thief was at her chicken coop, she arose and watched. She saw an old looking man go to the back of Dollarhide's store, pour oil over it, light it with a match and then run. Another lady in the neighborhood saw the same. Mrs. O'Toole says she knows the man, but refuses to divulge his name. Dollarhide was asleep in the rear room of his store and was badly roasted before the burning of a bureau near by aroused him.

Telephone service is missed very much.

CRIMINAL CALENDAR.

A Faithless Bunko Man Shot Dead by His Wife.

Lathrop, Ind., July 20.—John Williams, known as "Coal Oil Johnny," a bunko man, was found in a house of ill-fame in bed with an inmate at five o'clock this morning, by his wife, who shot him dead while he was sleeping. The woman had been hunting him at other places for several hours before. She left the house immediately after the shooting.

A Plente Tragedy.

Cincinnati, July 20.—At a plente of the German Methodist church yesterday a grove five miles south of Newport, Otto Hager quarreled with a boy eighteen years of age named Geo. Neir, pursued him into the edge of the river, stabbed him to death and then escaped.

An Insolvent Firm.

Portland, Me., July 20.—A meeting of creditors of Phinney & Jackson, Cuba and India merchants recently failed, was held to-day. The disaster to the firm is attributed to the speculations of Will H. Phinney, one of the partners, who used over \$100,000 of the firm's money and securities and lost it all. Assets mostly merchandise and balance due on accounts, largely in Cuba; the amount is nominally \$235,000, liabilities about \$347,000. A committee was appointed to investigate the affairs of the firm.

## ST. LOUIS.

### Taxation of Cattle Driven Through the Indian Territory—An Opinion of Its Legality.

Special to the Gazette.

St. Louis, July 20.—Mr. C. W. Rogers, vice-president of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad, in June addressed a letter to Hon. J. C. Parker, United States district judge at Fort Smith, Arkansas, informing him that parties driving cattle through the Creek nation to that road, and to points on it in the Cherokee nation, are required by the Creeks to pay a tax of one dollar per head per month for the right to drive their cattle through the Creek nation, and asking the judge whether they have any right to charge this tax. Yesterday Mr. Rogers received a reply from Judge Baker, who stated that he had already in a law of the Cherokee nation similar to this one of the Creeks providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon cattle or stock of any kind passing through the nation, decided that it was void. Congress alone had the right to legislate upon and regulate interstate commerce, and legislation upon the subject by any other power is a plain assumption of the power vested exclusively in Congress. If persons took cattle into the Creek country to graze them, they had a right to collect a grazer's tax, but if cattle are passing over their country to market they had no right to collect any tax for such transit.

SHERMAN.

Glimpses of Current Events and Social Happenings.

Special to the Gazette.

Sherman, July 20.—During the past few days business has been remarkably dull, which has caused a slack in the news market.

To-day the main plaza was crowded with wood, hay and watermelon vendors.

Policeman Bud East of Denison is among us to-day.

The city calaboose is now empty and gaping for company.

Burt Willis, manager of our telephone line and engineer of the fire company, Sam Houston No. 1, went to Denison to-day to look after the interest of the telephone line extending from here to Denison.

The board of medical examiners for this judicial district are in session, among the number is Hon. J. W. Graves of Whitesboro.

A man by the name of